

THE REMO C. BERTUGLI MEMORIAL ESSAY

CONTESTANT #3

Remo Bertugli was a great man that was very involved in his community. As a teacher in the West Greene School District he took an active role in his students' activities. Not only was he involved in many sporting activities with his students, but he also took them to Washington DC each year. Mr. Bertugli also had a leadership role in the Boy Scouts of America. In his community, he was a captain in his local volunteer fire company, EMT, and diver. Known as "Mr. Riverfest" in his community, he spent countless hours organizing and working to make this festival and pageant a success.

Although I am young, I feel it would be an honor to strive to emulate Mr. Bertugli and his civic minded manner. I understand the importance of community service and giving to others. This has been instilled in me and I will continue to serve others throughout my life. I have been working with younger children over the past few years, helping them in their different roles. I strive to be a positive role model and this has enriched my life in a meaningful way.

I have volunteered at Vacation Bible School for the past 4 years. I have also been an assistant dance teacher over the last 3 years, and have assisted with cheer clinics within Greene County. At Bible School, I love how the children learn about God and feel that it strengthens me spiritually to be part of another child's growth. At dance each week, I get the chance to watch the younger students grow, not only as dancers but as individuals. Many young girls have the dream of becoming a cheerleader, it is exciting for me to help them learn cheers and cheer dances to assist them in achieving this goal.

It feels good to volunteer and give back to your community. I am sure Mr. Bertugli must have felt this way too. He spent many years of his life helping others.